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MONTHLY PUBLIC USE REPORT

BANDELIER NATIONAL MONUMENT

COUNTING INSTRUCTIONS

Following are detailed instructions for collecting and reporting data to be entered on Form 10-157, Revised, Monthly Public Use Report, by Bandelier National Monument. These instructions are effective the date of issuance and will continue in effect unless changed by amendment or by memorandum from the Statistical Office to the superintendent approving a requested change.

Each section below describes the procedures to be followed in collecting public use data and summarizing the various elements of those data for entry on the line indicated.

Recreation Visits

- A. An electric-eye traffic counter is located at the entrance station counting vehicles exiting the park. The traffic count is reduced for nonrecreation vehicles (70 per month), nonreportable vehicles (1650 per month), and buses (see B below). The reduced count is multiplied by the current persons-per-vehicle multiplier (2.8).
- B. The actual number of tour bus, school bus, and van visitors are recorded by visitor center personnel. The number of tour buses, school buses, and vans are recorded for use in A.
- C. Remote sensor pad counters are located at the following trailheads. These counters automatically adjust for the counting of hikers entering and exiting the trail.
 - a. Tsankawi Trailhead.
 - b. Ponderosa Trailhead.
- D. Self registration boxes are located at the following trailheads:
 - a. Apache Springs Trailhead.
 - b. Ski Loop Trailhead
 - c. Dome Trailhead.
- E. The actual number of people obtaining back country permits for:
 - a. Apache Springs.
 - b. Dome Trail.
 - c. Ponderosa day use picnic area.

Ponderosa group camping area.

Recreation visits are the sum of A, B, C, D, and E.

Nonrecreation Visits

Nonrecreation visits are estimated as 70 persons per month.

Recreation Visitor Hours

Total recreation day use visits are multiplied by 2 hours 45 minutes (2.75 hours) per visit.

Each overnight stay is multiplied by 22 hours 45 minutes (22.75 hours).

Nonrecreation Visitor Hours

Nonrecreation visitor hours are estimated as 15 minutes (.25 hour) per visits.

Overnight Stays

NPS Campgrounds - Juniper Campground

The actual number of tent or RV sites occupied are multiplied by the number of nights stayed.

This information is recorded by the visitor center personnel.

NPS Backcountry - Miscellaneous sites

The actual number of backcountry campers and the number of nights stayed.

This information is taken from the permits issued at the visitor center.

NPS Miscellaneous - Ponderosa Group camping

The actual number of group campers multiplied by the number of nights stayed.

This information is recorded by the visitor center.

Special Use Data

- Line a. Tsankawi Trail.
- Line b. Apache Springs Trail.
- Line c. Dome Trail.
- Line d. Ski Loop Trail.
- Line e. Miscellaneous buses/vans.
- Line f. Miscellaneous misc buses/tour buses/vans visitors.
- Line n. The number of tour buses.